

December 4th, 2015



More Wisconsinites Are Working

Greetings!

We came back from the Thanksgiving holiday with some great news: in **October, the unemployment rate dropped for all of Wisconsin's 72 counties** when compared to a year ago.

The 30th Assembly District's economy continues to improve. **For the first time since December 2000, St. Croix County's monthly unemployment rate fell below 3 percent to 2.9 percent.**

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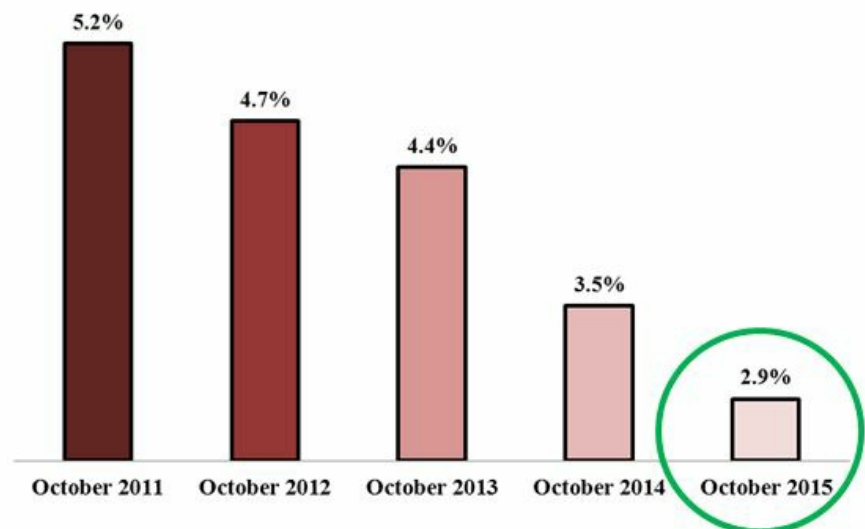
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St. Croix Co. Unemployment Rate

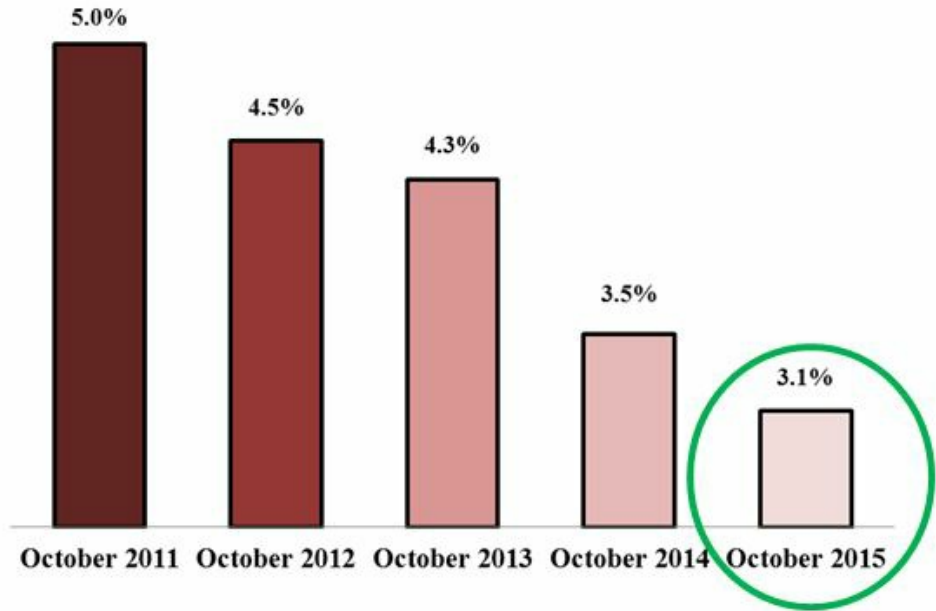
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, WI Dept. of Workforce Development



Pierce County's job economy continues to improve as well. **The county's October unemployment rate inched closer to the 3 percent mark to 3.1 percent.**

Pierce Co. Unemployment Rate

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistic, WI Dept. of Workforce Development



Compare those number to a national unemployment rate of 5 percent.

Since taking office in 2011, I've fought to make job creation a top priority for the legislature. More Wisconsinites are working, the tax burden in Wisconsin is falling, and in October, 15,000 private sector jobs were added, the largest monthly job gain since 1992. **Our reforms are working, and the numbers show it.**

Sincerely,

Protecting Your Civil Liberties

In 2013, the Governor proposed allowing Wisconsin police agencies to collect DNA samples from all individuals who are arrested for any crime. I, along with many of my colleagues had concerns with this. After all, not everyone who is arrested is convicted. We worked to significantly scale the program back, but there is still more we can do. Mike Longaecker from RiverTown Multimedia wrote a story on our efforts in the legislature to provide additional protection for you civil liberties.

[You can read the story here.](#)

Personal Information Requested

As a courtesy to you, I am informing all of my email update subscribers that my office, along with other legislative offices, recently received an open records request for the name and email address of people who receive email updates from my office. The request originated from:

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I am required under Wisconsin law to provide the requested information. Please keep in mind that all communications to public officials are considered public records. If you have communicated with an Assembly or Senate office, please be aware that your communications and your contact information may be subject to open records requests.

If you have any questions, please contact my office.

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